



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Authorize Use of GrapeLine Buses as In-Kind Match for Sandhill Crane Festival

MEETING DATE: August 16, 2000

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Authorize use of GrapeLine buses November 3-5, 2000, as in-kind match for Sandhill Crane Festival.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Sandhill Crane Festival is requesting use of five GrapeLine buses for three days. Buses will travel to Woodbridge Road, Lodi sewer ponds, Kofu Park, and the Consumnes River Preserve. The Sandhill Crane Festival provides an economic benefit for the City of Lodi. Last year, over 1,000 people, 89% of whom were from outside the county, attended the Festival. The participants visited cranes and other wildlife in the area. Participants have cited the availability of buses as one of the strong points of the Festival. This also promotes Transit in general. The value of the City's in-kind match is \$1,271.45. We will be receiving five new buses in late August so we should have sufficient vehicles on hand by November.

The Public Works Department is working on a comprehensive policy that would cover all in-kind donations to non-profit organizations, and for transit services that benefit the Lodi economy. The policy will be brought to the City Council for approval in September or October.

FUNDING: Federal Transit Administration (FTA) – 50%
Transportation Development Act (TDA) – 50%

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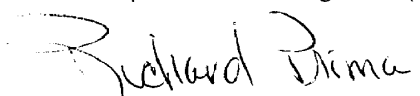
Enclosed is a copy of background information on an item on the City Council agenda of Wednesday, August 16, 2000. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street.

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If you have any questions about the item itself, please call Carlos Tobar, Transportation Manager, at (209) 333-6800, ext. 2678.


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Enclosure 

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